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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1185

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 27, 2010

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Nursing Facility Screening and Notification.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Crouch

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BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: ☒ **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
☒ **FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires the dissemination of specified information as part of: (1) a nursing facility's notification to applicants; (2) the nursing facility preadmission screening program; and (3) the hospital discharge process.

The bill also specifies that the results of a nursing facility preadmission screening assessment be explained and provided in writing to the individual, a parent, or a guardian.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill clarifies the responsibility of the Area Agencies on Aging, nursing facilities, and hospitals to communicate all long-term care service options to individuals applying for nursing facility admission. Nursing facilities are currently required to provide specified information to individuals applying for admission. This information is required to be on standardized forms prepared by the Division on Aging. The AAA contact information and list of long-term care options is an addition to the existing requirement although it is unclear if this geographically localized information can be appended to the required standardized forms or if the Division will need to prepare standardized forms for each of the 16 AAA regions.

The bill also requires the AAAs to prepare the lists of all available local long-term care options for inclusion on the forms, including home and community-based services. Currently, the AAAs appear to have this information available on their websites under the Aging and Disability Resource Center Program.

The bill further requires the AAAs to have a representative explain the results of the preadmission screening

assessment and provide a written copy of the assessment to the individual screened or to a parent or guardian. The explanation provided regarding the screening is required to include the availability of home and community-based services. It is not clear as to whether this language would require additional actions or resources from the AAAs since, currently, results of the assessment are provided to applicants via the PAS Form B. Additionally, the IPAS/PASARR Program Manual states that case records are provided to the applicant or legal representative upon written request. The manual also requires a AAA representative to explain the results of the screening in the instance of a denial for nursing facility level of care, and individuals may further appeal any decision made.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: FSSA.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: http://www.in.gov/fssa/files/IPAS_PASRR_Manual.PDF

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